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TAGS: CASC, SP
SUBJECT: OVERBOOKED HOTELS AND REPERCUSSIONS FROM FRENCH
AIR CONTROLLERS' STRIKE

1. FRENCH AIRCONTROLLERS' STRIKE APPEARS TO HAVE HAD TWO SIDE
EFFECTS WHICH HAVE CREATED PROBLEMS IN THE TOURIST SECTOR OF
SPAIN'S COSTA DEL SOL:

A. SCHEDULED AIRLINE DEPARTURES HAVE BEEN DELAYED AND AIRLINE
SPACE APPEARS TO BE FULLY BOOKED SEVERAL DAYS IN ADVANCE.

B. CONCOMITANTLY, TOURISTS FROM OTHER AREAS OF EUROPE HAVE HAD
TO DELAY THEIR DEPARTURES, RESULTING IN LACK OF HOTEL SPACE AS
NEW ARRIVALS FROM CHARTER AND OTHER FLIGHTS HAVE DESCENDED ON HOTELS
THAT BECAUSE OF THESE DELAYED DEPARTURES HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO
HONOR THE NEW BOOKINGS.

2. AS A CONSEQUENCE WE HAVE BEEN RECEIVING CALLS FROM IRATE USCITS
WHO HAVE BEEN PROVIDED LESS THAN FOUR STAR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR SEVERAL
DAYS AND WHO APPEAR FOR ADVICE OF TEMPORARY ALTERNATE ACCOMMODATIONS.
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TO FORCE THEIR AGENT TO ABORT THE REMAINDER OF THEIR TRIP AND
HAVE THEIR CHARTER FLIGHT RETURN RIGHT AWAY. BECAUSE OF OUR INABIL-
ITY TO RESOLVE THIS SITUATION TO THEIR SATISFACTION, DEPARTMENT
WILL PROBABLY RECEIVE SOME INQUIRIES, IF NOT NOW, PROBABLY LATER.

4. FOREGOING PROVIDED FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION UNTIL WE CAN
ASCERTAIN HOW WIDESPREAD THIS PROBLEM MAY BE AND HOW LONG IT CAN

BE EXPECTED TO LAST.FOUCHE

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